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In re Patent Application of)

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For: SYSTEM FOR ANALYZING)
SURFACE CHARACTERISTICS)
WITH SELF-CALIBRATING)
CAPABILITY)

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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventors HAIMING WANG, PATRICK M. MAXTON, KENNETH C. JOHNSON and MEHRDAD NIKOONAHAD, for "SYSTEM FOR ANALYZING CHARACTERISTICS WITH SELF-CALIBRATING CAPABILITY." Enclosed are:

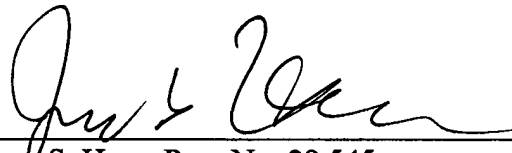
1. Sixty-three (63) pages of the specification, including one-hundred and thirty (130) claims and an abstract.
2. Thirteen (13) sheets of drawings.
3. A Continuation-In-Part Patent Application Declaration with Power of Attorney.
4. An Assignment of the invention to KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION, Form PTO-1595, and a check to cover the \$40.00 fee.

Cross-Reference to Related Application

This is an application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/298,007, filed April 22, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/246,922, filed February 9, 1999.

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